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## **Spirit of St. Louis (SOS) Women's Fund Elects 2011-12 Board Members and Officers**

ST. LOUIS – The 225-plus members of the **Spirit of St. Louis (SOS) Women's Fund** have elected **Felice Joyce** as president for a two-year term. She succeeds **Vicki Sheehan**, president of **Sheehan Investment Services**, and has served on several nonprofit boards, including the **Congregation Shaare-Emeth** and **St. Louis' Interfaith Partnership/Faith Beyond Walls**.

Also joining the SOS 2011-12 board of directors are **Terry Bernstein**, **Gretta Forrester-Gaffney**, **Barbara Nikolychik**, **Dorte Probststein**, **Nancy Rodney** and **Meghan Sheehan**.

Assuming new leadership positions are board members **Linda Finerty**, treasurer and finance review co-chair; **Laura Friedman**, grant-making co-chair; **Kathy Frost**, membership chair; **Linda Grayson**, grant-making co-chair; **Melissa Jones**, communications chair; **Elaine Queathem**, interim vice president and website co-chair; Nancy Rodney, education chair; Vicki Sheehan, nominating chair; and **Ann Sutter**, finance review co-chair.

The new board members join **Susan Block**; **Leslie Corey**, impact chair; **Lynn Dole**; **Laure Hullverson**; **Parker McMillan**, website co-chair; **Lisa Nouss**; **Shelby Schagrin**, founder of SOS; **Mary Schoolman**; and **Gwen Wesley**.

Founded in 2006, the Spirit of St. Louis (SOS) Women's Fund connects women across the St. Louis region to collectively strengthen the community through informed, focused grant-making. The group, a component fund of the **Greater Saint Louis Community Foundation**, has more than 225 members. Each member contributes \$1,200 a year, with 90 percent of all member gifts used to fund grants to St. Louis-area nonprofit organizations. In 2011, SOS achieved the \$909,500 milestone in charitable giving with a total of 64 grants to 41 area nonprofit organizations over a span of five years. To learn more about SOS, visit [www.soswomensfund.org](http://www.soswomensfund.org) or call (314) 880-4968.

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Editor's note: The **Spirit of St. Louis (SOS) Women's Fund** is located at the **Greater St. Louis Community Foundation** at 319 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. in St. Louis, Mo. (63102).

**Felice Joyce** is a resident of Ladue, Mo. (63124).

***SOS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ORGANIZED BY ZIP CODE OF RESIDENCE:***

**Leslie Corey** resides in Chesterfield, Mo. (63017).

**Gwen Wesley** resides in Florissant, Mo. (63034).

**Melissa Jones** lives in Maryland Heights, Mo. (63043).

**Terry Bernstein, Laura Friedman, Barbara Nikolychik, Lisa Nous, Shelby Schagrin** and **Mary Schoolman** reside in Clayton, Mo. (63105).

**Susan Block, Gretta Forrester-Gaffney** and **Linda Grayson** live in St. Louis' Central West End (63108).

**Ann Sutter** resides in South St. Louis City, Mo. (63116).

**Linda Finerty, Elaine Queathem** and **Vicki Sheehan** are residents of Webster Groves, Mo. (63119).

**Laure Hullverson, Felice Joyce, Parker McMillan** and **Dorte Probst** live in Ladue, Mo. (63124).

**Nancy Rodney** lives in Sunset Hills, Mo. (63126).

**Lynn Dole** and **Kathy Frost** live in Creve Coeur, Mo. (63141).

**Meghan Sheehan** resides in Brentwood, Mo. (63144).